



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **HIRAOKA, Naoki, et al.**

Group Art Unit: 1751

Serial No.: 10/662,450

Examiner: **Gregory E. Webb**

Filed: **September 16, 2003**

**P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 2503**

**FOR: CHEMICAL SOLUTION FEEDING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR  
PREPARING SLURRY**

**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 17, 2006

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows. The Amendment is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination, and is timely filed under the Notice of Appeal filed on August 24, 2006.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.